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RE: FOIA Request No. - 19-00810-F

Dear: Emily Stout

This is in response to your letter dated February 1, 2019, requesting information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. Your request was received in this office on February 1, 2019, and forwarded to the primary responsible office(s) for action.

You requested: I am requesting an opportunity to view or obtain copies of public records that show the cohort default rates of students at Western Washington University over the past 10 years, broken up by year. I would also like to know the demographics of the people who filed for default such as first-generation status, gender, race and the type of degree they obtained at Western Washington University. The Higher Education Act of 1965 defines a first-generation college student as an individual whose parents did not complete a baccalaureate degree or in the case of any individual who regularly resided with and received support from only one parent, an individual whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate degree.

Please refer to the FOIA tracking number to check the status of your FOIA request at the link provided below:

http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/foia/foiatoc.html

For any future correspondence, status updates or questions regarding your request, please contact the FOIA Public Liaison via email to EDFOIAManager@ed.gov

Sincerely,

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